

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
PRE-APPLICATION PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
RECTIFICATION OF AN UNLAWFUL ACTIVITY AS PER
REGULATIONS IN THE NEMA AND NEM:WA**

(Erf. 528, Hopefield, Saldanha Bay Local Municipality)

Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) Waste Management Licensing Reference Number:
19/2/5/R HLE SERVICES

Notice is hereby given of the Section 24 rectification application public participation process in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (2014) in the National Environmental Management Act, No. 107 of 1998 (NEMA) for activities listed in the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, No. 58 of 2008 (NEM:WA).

In March 2018, HLE Services and Supplies (HLE) approached the DEA&DP, with regards to the company's operations and was informed that the management and handling of refractory waste is a legislated activity. Due to refractory waste being classified as hazardous waste under Schedule 3, Category A of the NEM:WA, HLE was advised to undertake an urgent application with the National Department of Environmental Affairs for the activities being undertaken. The rectification application as per the NEMA section 24(g), as amended (2014) will address the following NEM:WA section 67(1)(a), as amended (2014), activities:

Relevant Act/Notice and Activity No:	To be included in application	Description
NEM:WA, Schedule 3, Category A: Hazardous Waste, 14(j)	Yes	Waste linings and refractories
NEM:WA, (GN. 921), 3(4)	Yes	The recycling of hazardous waste in excess of 500kg but less than 1 ton per day calculated as a monthly average, excluding recycling that takes place as an integral part of an internal manufacturing process within the same premises.
NEM:WA, (GN. 921), 3(7)	Yes	The treatment of hazardous waste using any form of treatment at a facility that has the capacity to process in excess of 500kg but less than 1 ton per day excluding the treatment of effluent, wastewater and sewage.
NEM:WA, (GN. 921), 3(12)	Yes	The construction of a facility for a waste management activity listed in Category A of this Schedule (not in isolation to associated waste management activity).

EnviroAfrica cc has been appointed by HLE to undertake the S24G rectification application process under NEMA for the above operation.

Project Location and Description

The proposed development site is located on Erf. 528, Hopefield (off Industry Road, previous known as Vredenberg Road), Western Cape. Access to the current operations is from Industry Road. The current development footprint (i.e. Erf. 528) covers 3 600m². The property was bought by Uniref (Pty) Ltd (Uniref) around June 2009 from a company which manufactured bricks on the site. The site has been developed since at least 2003/2004. HLE was formed in 2017 when the opportunity to recycle left over portions of new refractory bricks, was identified. In March 2017, Uniref sold Erf. 528, Hopefield to HLE. HLE recycles new refractory bricks discarded during the installation process, as well as used or waste refractory bricks, liners and unglazed ceramic goods.

Description of Alternatives:

Currently, no alternatives for these activities exist since the current application is for an existing operation on a site where similar activities have been conducted since approximately 2006 by previous owners of the property. However, any possible alternative options which include *inter alia* layout alternatives within the available land on the property, as well as the option of not proceeding with the proposed development at all (the No-Go option) will be considered within the draft scoping and environmental impact report.

Public Participation:

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register (in writing) and/or provide initial comments, queries, concerns or opportunities relating to the proposed project, **on or before 19th January 2019**. To register, I&APs should refer to the project name, and provide their name, address & contact details (*indicating your preferred method of notification*) and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest which they have in the application. Please note that future correspondence will only be sent to registered I&APs.

To register as an I&AP or for more information, contact EnviroAfrica at:

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Existing site, Erf 528



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